

National Engineers Week

Presented by Councilmember Chris Cate

February 22-27, 2021

WHEREAS, Engineers are highly valued and respected professionals who address and solve society's needs and problems by using science, technology, and math thereby improving the way people work, live, travel, communicate, stay healthy, and entertain; **AND**

WHEREAS, National Engineers Week is held every February during the week coinciding with George Washington's birthday for the purpose of recognizing the contributions engineers have made to society, and it is a time for engineers to emphasize the importance of learning math, science, and technical skills; **AND**

WHEREAS, National Engineers Week was started in 1951 by the National Society of Professional Engineers encompassing President George Washington's birthday (February 22nd) who was considered the nation's first engineer, notably for his survey work; **AND**

WHEREAS, the San Diego Engineers Week Festival will be held this year from February 22-27, 2021 and its theme is "Imagining Tomorrow"; **AND**

WHEREAS, the San Diego Engineers Week Festival is held annually by the San Diego County Engineering Council along with several sponsoring corporations and organizations to celebrate engineering, including the recognition of individuals and projects who are helping to Engineer a Brighter Future; **AND**

WHEREAS, the San Diego Engineers Week Festival 2021 will begin with an Awards and Recognition Ceremony to recognize the outstanding engineering contributions locally in the categories of Outstanding Engineer, Outstanding Engineering Educator, Outstanding Engineering Project, and The Dr. Thomas Avolt Kanneman Outstanding Engineering Service Award; **AND**

WHEREAS, the San Diego Engineers Week Festival will also feature additional events to include keynote and on-demand speakers, outreach and role model mentoring to students of all ages, and organization/individual networking opportunities; **AND**

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego wishes to express its gratitude to all engineers for their hard work and dedication which has thereby improved the quality of life for all who live in our city and communities; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Mayor and City Council, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby proclaim **February 22-27, 2021** to be "**National Engineers Week**" in the City of San Diego.